WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A projection type display device comprising a light source for emitting a white light, a reflecting means for reflecting the emitted light, a color wheel comprising a plurality of color filter 5 sections of different colors for sequentially separating the light from the light source into different colors on the basis of rotative driving, and a light valve for modulating the separated light, the light from the light source being separated by 10 the color wheel, modulated by the light valve and then projected, wherein the color wheel is disposed in an area interposed between a light entering the reflecting means and a light exiting the reflecting means such that the light from the light source 15 passes through the color wheel in such a converged shape as to pass through only a single color filter section.
- 2. The projection type display device according to claim 1, which is constructed such that an axis of rotation of the color wheel is set so as not to be parallel to an optical axis of the light passing through the color wheel, and the light from the light source is converged into the shape without interfering with the color wheel.